

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in the present application. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected the claims as follows. Claims 1-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,978,118 (Vesikivi).

As described by the Claims, the present invention provides an apparatus and a method to read received information and thereafter convert the read information into converted information, which is, for example, suitable for an address book of a portable terminal. This process is illustrated with reference to Tables 1 and 2 of the present application, which respectively illustrate data formats for read data and converted data. Accordingly, converted data is transmitted from an RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) card to the portable terminal. The conversion process is further described with reference to the paragraph beginning at the top of Page 10 of the present application.

Regarding the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) of independent Claim 1, the Examiner states that Vesikivi, teaches each and every limitation of Claim 1. Upon reviewing Vesikivi, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner is incorrect.

Vesikivi teaches an apparatus, system, and method for implementing an automatic identification system with a personal communication drive. Moreover, Vesikivi teaches transmitting data from an RFID tag to an RFID reader (24) using a plurality of data fields (12) as shown in FIG. 2. In other words, Vesikivi merely teaches transmitting read

information, as opposed to reading information and thereafter converting the read information. Accordingly, Vesikivi does not teach or suggest an RFID recognition section for converting read information into data suitable for an address book, as recited in Claim 1. Accordingly, it is believed that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) of Claim 1 should be withdrawn.

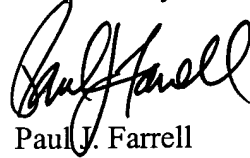
Regarding the rejection of independent Claims 6, 7, 10 and 14, these claims include similar recitations as those contained in Claim 1. Moreover, with respect to the rejection of Claims 2, 6 and 14, each of these Claims includes a conversion section for converting read information, which neither taught nor suggested by Vesikivi. Accordingly, it is believed that Claims 6, 7, 10 and 14 are allowable for at least the above-stated reasons and the reasons set forth above with respect to the rejection of Claim 1.

Claims 2-5, 8-9, 11-13, and 15-16 are dependent claims; accordingly, if the above arguments place the independent Claims into condition for allowance, then these dependent Claims will also be in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-16 believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the

Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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